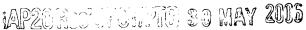
FORM PTO-1390 (Modified) (REV. 7-2005) U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 44802-0500 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES U.S. APPLICATION NO: (If known see 37 CFR 1.5) DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/US05/002457 January 26, 2005 January 30, 2004 TITLE OF INVENTION PICTURE CODING METHOD, PICTURE DECODING METHOD, PICTURE CODING APPARATUS, PICTURE DECODING APPARATUS, AND PROGRAM THEREOF APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Tao Chen et al. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: \boxtimes This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), Ø (9) and (24) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) 5. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. 🗆 has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. 🗆 is attached hereto. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). b. 🗀 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. □ have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. c. 🗆 d. 🛛 have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). \boxtimes An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 9. An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT 10. Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409). 11. \boxtimes A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210). 12 Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included: \bowtie 13. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 14. 15. A FIRST preliminary amendment. 16. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 17. A substitute specification. 18. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 19. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. 20. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 21. A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). X) 22. Express Mail Label No. EV822328165US



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